

IN THE CLAIMS

The amended claims are as follows:

Claim 1 (cancelled).

Claim 2 (cancelled).

Claim 3 (currently amended).

A gag-less airway as claimed in Claim [[1]] 11 wherein the length of the device only extends through the anterior two thirds of the oral cavity.

Claim 4 (cancelled).

Claim 5 (currently amended).

A gag-less airway device as claimed in Claim [[4]] 11 wherein said airway is composed of a soft elastomeric material [[that is a relatively soft silicone]].

Claim 6 (cancelled).

Claim 7 (currently amended).

A gag-less airway device as claimed in Claim [[6]] 11 wherein at least one side of said tube is provided with a plurality of openings for the passage of air [[there through]] there through.

Claim 8 (currently amended).

A gag-less airway device as claimed in Claim [[6]] 11 whereby said flange is provided with spaced openings.

Claim 9 (cancelled).

Claim 10 (cancelled).

Claim 11 (new).

A gag-less airway device for inserting in the user's mouth comprising a flattened tube open on both ends thus having an unobstructed airway, said tube being of such a length that it will not stimulate the gag

reflex in the user when the device is inserted in the oral cavity, the ~~[[superior]] top~~ surface of said tube ~~[[corresponding to]] closely following the contour of~~ the hard palate of the mouth ~~[[an inferior]], a bottom~~ surface of said tube having substantially parallel ~~saw-like~~ ridges which are traction means for ~~engaging and~~ pulling the user's tongue forward upon insertion of the device in the mouth, and a flange at the forward end of said device located substantially perpendicular to said ~~[[airway]] flattened tube~~.